

## Board Meeting Summary: October 27, 2021

### EDGAR SCHOOL DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN

**Mission Statement:** The School District of Edgar provides a safe and positive environment and is committed to continuous improvement for all students, staff and community members. Edgar Excellence embodies leadership in: curriculum & instruction, technological integration & innovation, collaboration & co-curriculars. We prepare all of our graduates to be college and career ready.

**Vision:** The Edgar Excellence environment will ensure a rigorous learning experience that equips our students for success in a global society.

**Values:** The School District of Edgar values: Edgar Excellence...Pride and Tradition! Respect & Responsibility, Teamwork, Hard Work & Integrity, Leadership, Critical Thinkers, Acceptance of All

#### **Staff Presentations:**

Mr. Tom McCarty announced and congratulated Mr. Jim Steinke for being the recipient of the WBCA Athletic Director of the Year Award. Mr. Steinke was very instrumental during the 2020-21 school year to safely continue sporting events while living through a pandemic.

Congratulations, Mr. Steinke!

CIP Team members presented the Elementary and MS/HS Continuous Improvements Plans for 2021-22. Nice job leadership team!

Mrs. Kristine Hafferman and Mr. Dennis Webb presented information about the updates and revised music curriculum. They have worked collaboratively to be sure that the music curriculum is up-to-date and it is meeting the needs of our students. Nice work!

Mr. Chris Trawicki, IT Director, presented the following information:

1. Support
  - a. No major outages or events
  - b. Youth Apprentice workers –helpful and learning every day.
  - c. We support nearly 600 Chromebooks -1:1 from 2-12, 170 iPads, and around 150 computers
2. Summer Updates: No major updates this summer
3. Upcoming Year
  - a. New equipment shortages
    - i. New technology orders are backed up: We have a couple orders pushed to the end of 2021
  - b. Applied for Emergency Connectivity Funds to offset the cost of some devices

Dr. Cari Guden stated that there was no new information regarding COVID-19 at this time.

**Guden reported on the following:**

1. Summer School and Third Friday Pupil Count

- a. Lisa Witt compiled the Summer School data. The following data was reported to DPI:

Summer	Total Days of Instruction	Number of Resident Participants	Total Resident Pupil Minutes	Total FTE
2013	36	507	2,810,522	58
2014	55	507	3,290,890	66
2015	51	513	3,064,440	63
2016	30	505	2,398,335	49
2017	47	467	2,391,792	49
2018	40	440	2,087,322	43
2019	34	446	2,987,590	61
2020	29	446	1,557,819	32
2021	33	390	2,159,232	44

- b. Cari Guden compiled the Pupil Count data. The following data was reported to DPI:

School Year	Starting Count	Less Non-Resident Reductions (OE In)	Plus Resident Additions (OE Out)	<b>TOTAL</b>
2012-13	648	59	37	626
2013-14	636	53	40	623
2014-15	654	67	32	619
2015-16	626	67	43	602
2016-17	618	72	42	588
2017-18	599	82	45	562
2018-19	597	89 (1 is resident Home Schooler)	52	560
2019-20	602	99	52	555
2020-21	571	71	57	557
2021-22	597	71	54	580

2. Social Media Report Card—July-Sept 2021

- a. Edgar received our Social Media Report Card for July-September 2021. We continue to share the good news with many people in Edgar and throughout the country.

3. Communication

- a. MCSE September Board Highlights  
 b. Thank you from the family of Dale Paul

**Lisa Witt reported the following:**

1. New Teacher Meetings
2. Para Meetings
3. Parent/Teacher Conferences
4. FASTBridge Screener
5. Upcoming Dates
  - a. Halloween Movie Fest: October 28<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:15pm
  - b. Quarter 1 ends November 2<sup>nd</sup>, Quarter 2 begins November 3<sup>rd</sup> and report cards go home November 9<sup>th</sup>

**Mr. McCarty reported the following:**

1. YRBS and BASC/BESS Screeners
2. P/T conferences – October 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>
3. End of quarter 1 – November 2<sup>nd</sup>
4. Upcoming Dates
  - a. Veteran's Day Program – November 11<sup>th</sup>

**Board Members**—Nothing to report.

**Consent Agenda**

The School Board approved the Agenda, Minutes, and Financial Statement & Bills for Payment

1. September 15, 2021 – Regular Board Meeting
2. September 15, 2021 – Special Executive Board Meeting

**Personnel**

1. Co-Curricular Resignation
  - a. Ms. English submitted her letter of resignation for MS Girls Basketball Coach. The School Board approved her resignation.
2. Co-Curricular Hires
  - a. The School Board approved the winter coaches as presented.
  - b. The School Board approved Mrs. Jackie Imhoff as art club advisor. We were waiting to get a list of students to be sure there was enough interest in supporting the club. We have 11 students interested in being a member of Art Club.
3. Support Staff Resignation
  - a. Mrs. Paige Manderfield submitted her letter of resignation as of October 15, 2021. The School Board approved her resignation.
4. Support Staff Hires
  - a. Ms. Tonia Schilling applied and interviewed for our full time night custodian position. The School Board approved this hire.
  - b. Mr. Don Unger applied and interviewed for our full time night custodian position. The School Board approved this hire.

5. Designate Legal Counsel Change in Firm
  - a. Attorney Dean Dietrich is transferring to the Law Firm of Weld Riley, S.C. The School Board approved that we continue utilizing Attorney Dietrich as needed through his new law firm.
6. Student Teachers for 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester
  - a. Grade 4 will be hosting a student teacher, Tanner Schlender, for the entire second semester. The School Board approved.
  - b. Kindergarten for quarter 3 and Grade 1 for quarter 4 will be hosting a student teacher, Kamryn Butt, for the full second semester. The School Board approved this hire.

#### Policy

1. COVID Procedures—I do not recommend any changes to our current COVID-19 Procedures. No action was taken.
2. Neola Updates: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: (Volume 30, Number 2): #0100, #0143 #0144.2, #0144.3, #0144.5, #0145, #0167.3, #0171.1, #0174.2, #1130, #1210, #2240, #2266, #2430, #2431, #2700.01, #3120, #3170, #3215, #3216, #3230, #4120, #4120.04, #4161, #4170, #4215, #4216, #4230, #5112, #5500.01, #5512, #5520, #5720, #5880, #6116, #6152, #7434, #7440.01, #7450, #7455, #8500, #9270, #9500, and #9700, (Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment): #1422, #1422.02, #1623, #1662, #2260, #2260.01, #3122, #3122.02, #3123, #3362, #4122, #4122.02, #4123, #4362, and #5517
  - a. The policies in Volume 30 Number 2 have all been thoroughly prepared and reviewed by Neola's legal counsel for statutory compliance. The following policies are new to Edgar School District: #0143, #5720, #5880. The policies related to discrimination and harassment on the basis of a protected class have been revised to comply with the new Title IX regulations. The School Board approved the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading for all of these policies.

#### Finance

1. Increase Lunch and Breakfast Prices for Adults
  - a. As of Dec. 31st the following changes are required: \$4.65 lunch and \$2.56 breakfast for adults only. We currently charge \$3.95 for lunch and \$2.05 for breakfast. The School Board approved.
2. Finalize 2021-22 District Budget
  - a. Board Approval of Budget 2021-22. The School Board approved the 2021-22 Budget as printed.
3. Review Revenue Limit and State Aid
  - a. We are able to tax the difference between the Total Revenue Limit and the State Aid which equals \$1,244,929. Given that information you will see that I requested and the School Board approved that we levy to our maximum.

4. Set Tax Levy

- a. Our total levy decreased -5% and the Equalized Value increased 3.5% with a mill rate decrease of -8.2%. Several items contribute to this:
  1. Equalized value increased
  2. Transfer of Service increased (\$15,686 to \$26,486)
  3. Total Revenue Limit stayed relatively flat
  4. Referendum levy increase \$200,000 purposely to mitigate the mill rate
  5. State Aid increased (\$193,186)—this is one of the main reasons for the mill rate decrease
    - a. 2016-17 Equalized Aid = \$4,881,319.00
    - b. 2017-18 Equalized Aid = \$4,702,806.00
    - c. 2018-19 Equalized Aid = \$4,639,781.00
    - d. 2019-20 Equalized Aid = \$4,526,381.00
    - e. 2020-21 Equalized Aid = \$4,819,630.00
    - f. 2021-22 Equalized Aid = \$5,013,199.00

The School Board approved the tax levy of 0.00946292 which equates to \$9.46 per thousand of value (example: on a home valued at \$100,000 the school tax would be \$946.00 for the year)

Information Only

1. MCSE Hires
  - a. Ryan Borton – Special Education Paraprofessional
  - b. Debra Korbisch – Special Education Paraprofessional

**Next School Board Meeting:**

**Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 6:00pm—Regular Board Meeting**